

[which are fixed to the main frame structure by means of];

intermediate elements for affixing the active elements to the main frame structure
[, characterised in that the intermediate elements comprise] including

profile members [(1)] respectively arranged in pairs in parallel
mutually juxtaposed relationship[.,];

[-] clamping plates for holding the intermediate elements [are held] at a defined
spacing [by means of clamping plates (2, 2'),] and having [- the clamping plates (2, 2')
have] projections [(3)] which stick up laterally of [the] said profile members[.,] and

[-] a clamping mechanism extending perpendicularly to the longitudinal axis of
said intermediate elements between the profile member for clamping the clamping
plates [are clamped by means of a clamping mechanism (4) which extends
perpendicularly to the longitudinal axis of the intermediate elements between the profile
members (1)].

2. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 [characterised in that
the] wherein said profile members have narrow sides and [(1)] are flat bar members
whose profile stands on edge[.,] and wherein [the] said clamping plates [(2, 2')] are
applied in overlapping relationship to the narrow sides of the two profile members of a
pair and have projections [(3)] which stick up laterally of the narrow sides.

3. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 [characterised in that
the] wherein said profile members [(1) can] may also be in the form of T-shaped, double
T-shaped, U-shaped, round or quadrangular profile members.

4. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 3 [characterised in that] wherein [the interior of the] said profile members have a hollow interior [(1) is hollow].

5. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 [one of the preceding claims characterised in that the] wherein said profile members [(1)] are of a metal material, in particular steel or iron.

6. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in [one of the preceding claims characterised in that] claim 1 wherein at least one of [the] said clamping plates [(2')] has at least one transverse opening [(6)] at [the] a side [(5)] in opposite relationship to the side with [the] said projections [(3)].

7. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in [one of the preceding claims characterised in that the] claim 6 wherein said at least one transverse opening [(6)] extends in plan perpendicularly to [the] said projections [(3)].

8. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in [one of the preceding claims characterised in that the] claim 1 wherein said clamping plates [(2, 2')] are of a metal material, in particular steel or iron.

9. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in [one of the preceding claims characterised in that the] claim 1 wherein said clamping mechanism [(4)] is a clamping screw.